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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Before the first sentence, please insert the following:

This is a continuation application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/048,682, filed on

March 26, 1998, which claims the priority of Swiss Application No. 1997 0729/97, filed on

March 26, 1997, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claims 4-19.

Please add the following new claims.